The Beat Goes On

United States Marine Band celebrates 205-year history

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CO'S CORNER

by Colonel Daniel P. O'Brien Barracks Commanding Officer

As we press into the heart of the 2003 Parade Season, there are a few points about the Tuesday and Friday night Parades that I'd like to make to all hands.

The first point is that the Sunset and Evening Parades are a total team effort. Just about everyone assigned to the Barracks has a role to play. Whether you end up directing traffic, managing parking, driving the shuttle, greeting guests, passing out programs or participating in the Parade in some other way, what you do is important. The "experience" for our guests begins when they approach parking or the Parade site and does not end until they depart. Everything that happens while they are with us matters to them. Their evaluation of Marine Barracks Washington and the Marine Corps as a whole continues for the entire time they are with us. Please continue to work hard to make sure that all of our guests go away having had a positive experience.

Secondly, people come to the Marine Corps War Memorial on Tuesday or to Post on Friday to see the representation of the entire Marine Corps – past, present and future. There is a high level of expectation because of what Marines have always meant to America. Our guests come expecting to see precision and it is our honor to be able to show it to them. Remember that it is what the Marine Corps represents to the nation that they come to see. We are lucky to be the caretakers of this Post, its legacy and the spirit of the entire Marine Corps.

Third, I'd like us all to remember that no one gets a second chance to make a first impression. Our guests come here expecting things to go well. All we have to do to ensure success is treat them with care and respect from the first moment of contact – and then put on a solid Parade. All of that is within our capability if we remember that it is the first impression that determines how they are going to enjoy the evening. Make that impression one all Marines would be proud of. Great marching cannot overcome a poor hosting effort – and visa versa. We have an enormously capable team and, if everyone is doing their part with enthusiasm, we'll always accomplish the mission.

I am writing this just as the June 13 Evening Parade begins to fade into memory. Gen. Hagee thought our performance on that evening was "superb." Director Mueller of the Federal Bureau of Investigation was enormously impressed. As you'll recall, that Parade took place on the most challenging of weather nights. A total team effort made it work. I could not be more proud of the performance of Marine Barracks Washington.

My final thought for all hands is that we need to keep safety in mind in all that we do. With all the highly important ceremonies, security missions, and support functions that our Marines and Civilians are involved in, we can't afford not to make sure that everything that we do has been thought out and the risk fully assessed. Please continue to take good care of one another.



Colonel Daniel P. O'Brien Commanding Officer Marine Barracks, Washington $8^{\rm th}$ & I Streets, South East Washington, District of Columbia 20390-5000

Dear Colonel O'Brien:

Wow! What an honor it was to be your guest of honor for your annual Friends and Family Parade on Friday Night.

I must say I was indeed humbled by this tribute. My family, friends and coworkers were enormously impressed with the outstanding display of military professionalism, not to mention the warm and generous hospitality that was extended to all.

Please express my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all the men and women of your command for their performance. Very impressive!!

Sincerely,

John C. Metzler, Jr. Superintendent

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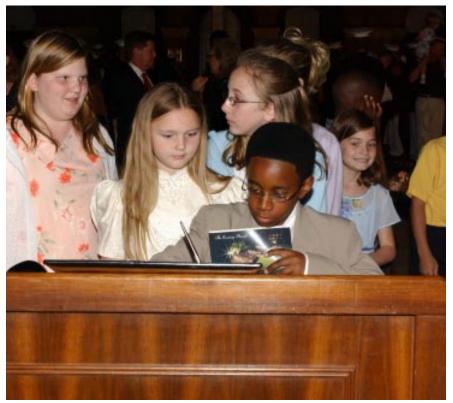
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On The Cover: Drum Major, Master Sgt. Thomas D. Kohl, sets the pace for the Evening Parade, during a march played by "The President's Own." **Top:** Honored guests line up to sign the guest book after the "Friends and Family" Evening Parade, May 2. (Photos by Sgt. Leah A. Cobble)

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Barracks Commanding Officer, Col. Daniel P. O'Brien, applauds the volunteers who helped clean up the neighborhood March 29.

story and photos by Lance Cpl. E. Ashley Thomas

> he streets surrounding the Barracks, from Pennsylvania Avenue to M Street S.E., were dotted with nearly 200 Marines engaged in a mighty mission March 29.

This was a special grime-fighting mission.

Armed with rakes, brooms, shovels and trash bags, Barracks Marines, along with friends and family, ventured out into the community in support of the annual Barracks Row Main Street "Spring Sweep" cleanup project. The event was designed to bring Barracks Row neighbors together in an effort to spruce up the neighborhood.

After they checked in and were issued supplies at World Cuisine Cafe on 8th Street, the volunteers headed out to their respective areas of responsibility.

"I actually enjoyed myself," said 1st Sgt. Christopher G. Robinson, Company 1st Sgt., Headquarters and Service Company. "I think that having all the Marines in uniform was a great idea they really stood out. People actually stopped as

they drove by and yelled, 'Thanks!""

Once the cleanup began, it didn't take much time for the volunteers to dig in and begin the process of ridding the neighborhood of eyesores along the sidewalks.

"I think it was great for the community to see us out there helping out," said Robinson. "Usually we're just behind the walls of the Barracks. I'm sure they were impressed at how big of a turnout we had for the cleanup."

"I remember when I was here last year," said Cpl. Tara E. Clark, supply clerk, Headquarters and Service Company. "There wasn't nearly as many people here then to help out. I think it's wonderful when Marine families come out to help."

As the morning hours faded away, so did the dead tree branches, leaves and all sorts of trash on the community's sidewalks.

"It looks a lot better than it did when we started," said Cpl. Michael P. Reese, administrative clerk, Headquarters and Service Company.

The morning drizzle developed into a shower as the Spring Sweep concluded in a ceremony at the corner of 9th and Potomac Avenue.

There in the rain, Washington, D.C. Mayor, Anthony A. Williams; Commandant, Naval District of Washington, Rear Admiral Christopher E. Weaver; and Commanding Officer of Marine Barracks, Col. Daniel P. O'Brien, planted three cherry trees in celebration of the Cherry Blossom Festival.

Barracks Row Executive Director, Bill McCleod, expressed his gratitude to the Marines. "There's no way we could have done this without your help."



(Left) A group of Company "B" Marines return to the Spring Sweep collection point along 8th Street from their area of responsibility south of Pennsylvania Avenue. Nearly 200 Barracks Marines, friends, and family members pitched in to clean up the neighborhood surrounding the "Oldest post of the Corps." Barracks Marines combed 7th, 8th and 9th Streets, from Pennsylvania Avenue to M Street, S.E.



ryone loves party

story and photo by Sgt. Leah A. Cobble

Two-year-old Kayla Mitchell, daughter of Sgt. Tevis J. Mitchell, is caught stealing a swig of her mother's soda at the MCCS Easter Party, April 12.

Marines, Sailors, and civilian employees brought their family to the Barracks April 12 for the annual Marine Corps Community Services Easter Party.

The two-hour-long afternoon celebration attracted the children to activities centers such as hopscotch, bowling and arts and crafts. Some children had their picture taken with the Easter Bunny, while others took a break for cupcakes and drinks.

"It was good to see all of the Marines here at the Barracks with their children," said Ms. Jamie Morris, Semper Fit director, MCCS. "I always like planning family events here because it gives everyone the chance to take time out and enjoy each other while their children have a little fun. I enjoy it myself because it is the only time I get to see everyone with their families."

After an hour in the band hall, everyone headed outside to hunt Easter eggs and enjoy a few rays of sunshine, in the middle of a very damp and dreary Spring. MCCS set up two hunts allowing all of the kids to find a few eggs. Parents rooted for their children as they ran from one end of the parade deck to the other, racing to fill up their baskets.



Annex Update

story and photo by Lance Cpl. E. Ashley Thomas

As the beginnings of walls and ceilings take their place, the Barracks Annex and Band Support Facility at "7th & K" looks more like the finished project everyday. With the fire-proofing material spread over the skeletal frame of the structure, the walls form hallways and rooms.

The new facility will provide much-needed office spaces, a rehearsal hall for the United States Marine Band, a parking garage, outdoor recreational area and living quarters for single enlisted Marines of "8th & I."

AROUND THE BARRACKS



(Left) Captain Andrew D. Lynch, executive officer, "B" Company, enjoys a lighter moment with his Marines at "B" Company's Mess Night. **April 30, at Marine Corps Base** Quantico, Va. The tradition of Mess Night is said to have begun in 1816 with a dinner in honor of U.S. Navy Commodore Stephen Decatur and **Captain Charles Steward. The** 19th-century event was concluded with patriotic songs performed by the Marine Band. (Photo by Sgt. Leah A. Cobble)



(Right) Barracks Marines participated in a safety presentation given by Master Sgt. Bryan McDaniel, a certified hypnotist, May 21. Under hypnosis, Sgt. Richard D. James, SACO, S-3, Headquarters and Service Company, laughs uncontrollably at the Marines around him for wearing ornate headgear. (Photo by Lance Cpl. E. Ashley Thomas)

(Left) Barracks officers restrain and interrogate visiting British officers in front of Center House during Reparations Night May 14. Reparations Night is an annual gathering of U.S. and British officers in which the Britons are subjected to a mock trial for burning Washington, D.C., during the War of 1812. (Photo by Cpl. Nathan A. Tiller)





(Left) Private First Class Scott A. Kolles, Armory, Headquarters and Service Company, shows a group of Tyler Elementary School students how to toss horse shoes at their annual end of school year field meet. (Photo by Lance Cpl. E. Ashley Thomas)

(Below) Master Gunnery Sgt. Charles V. Corrado receives the Legion of Merit from Marine Band Director Colonel Timothy W. Foley at Corrado's retirement ceremony May 14. (Photo courtesy of the U.S. Marine Band)







arracks Marines stood outside the Old Post Chapel at Fort Myer, Va., waiting for a funeral on an unseasonably hot spring afternoon, March 27. This funeral marked the first time in which the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps led a full honors funeral ceremony.



The Marines of the "Commandant's Own" waited to bury one of their own, their former commanding officer, Colonel Truman W. Crawford.

Crawford is credited with being a cornerstone in the evolution of drum corps. In addition to his military career, he arranged for and instructed countless drum and bugle corps across the nation. Crawford undoubtedly left a lasting impression on all who knew him.

As a testament to his years of musical excellence, Crawford received many awards and titles. Among them were his inductions into the Drum Corps Hall of Fame in 1979 and the Drum Corps International Hall of Fame in 1991. Many have said that Crawford was to the "Commandant's Own" as John Philip Sousa was to the "President's Own" United States Marine Band.

The Drum and Bugle Corps was in the middle of a West Coast Tour with the Battle Color Detachment when Crawford passed away, March 3. Their commanding officer, Maj. Brent A. Harrison, broke the news following a Battle Color Ceremony at MCAS Miramar, Calif. Marines lowered their heads and fought back tears with Harrison as he concluded his address, saying, "We've never done a full-honors funeral before, but we're going to do one now."

The Drum and Bugle Corps returned to Marine Barracks with a schedule full of commitments. Still mourning their loss, they prepared for a full-honors funeral in short order. The director of the "Commandant's Own," Chief Warrant Officer Brian J. Dix, began the preparations. The traditional funeral hymns were arranged to fit the drum



(Opposite) The caisson takes its place in the long procession from the Old Post Chapel through Arlington National Cemetery during Col. Crawford's full honors funeral.

(Left Inset) "B" Company Body Bearers prepare themselves for the walk down to Col. Crawford's grave site while his loved ones stand quietly waiting.

(Right Inset) The Marine Barracks Body Bearers finish folding the National Flag as the Drum & Bugle Corps play in the background in a final ceremony for Col. Crawford.

(Below) A friend hugs Mrs. Lucille E. Crawford during her husband's Full Honors Funeral Ceremony, while Maj. Brent A. Harrison waits to escort her to her seat.

corps' unique instrumentation. The Marines quickly learned the music and committed it to memory.

As the funeral grew closer, those that remembered their time with Crawford told nostalgic stories.

VELLS

Following a brisk morning rehearsal at Arlington National Cemetery, Staff Sgt. William R. Rulapaugh recalled, "Colonel Crawford's philosophy was, 'If it's to be, it's up to me.' He believed that every person, no matter what their background, had control over their ultimate success."

Friends, family and Marines alike were present at the funeral. Former Marines of the Drum Corps proudly showed their affiliation by donning the Presidential Unit Citation worn by the "Commandant's Own." Many of Crawford's drum corps associates were seen wearing their embroidered drum corps jackets unique to their organizations. All that were present regretted having to say good-bye to a loving friend.

"He was a great man. He made us what we are today," said Gunnery Sgt. John C. Cox, percussionist for the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps. "It's important that we performed this funeral, to give him the full honors he deserves for what he did."

The "Commandant's Own" began to play "Faith of Our Fathers" when the hearse came to a stop. The funeral detail received the command present arms as Marines carried the casket into the chapel. Guests outside the chapel stood silent and service members rendered salutes. Inside, the standing-room-only crowd was silent as Marines took Crawford's casket to the front.

In a final testament to Crawford's life, Chaplain Michael Dory gave a very fitting eulogy. The audience quieted as Crawford's casket was carried from the chapel onto the horse-

Bearers positioned the casket over the grave, and Chaplain Dory gave the final prayer.

The Marine Drum and Bugle Corps performed Crawford's arrangement of "Just a Closer Walk With Thee," in compliance with his personal request. The quintet featured during this selection was comprised entirely of Marines that had served with Crawford.

A traditional rifle volley sounded,



drawn caisson. Family members took their place immediately behind the funeral procession as they marched into Arlington National Cemetery.

During the procession through the cemetery, the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps could be heard at the front of the detail as they played "March Religioso" and "God of Our Fathers." Harrison escorted Mrs. Crawford across the hallowed grounds of the cemetery to her seat by her husband's grave site.

Guests filled positions around the site as the Marine Barracks Body

followed by the playing of echo taps. As the Drum Corps played "Eternal Father," the Body Bearers folded the flag in their ceremonial manner. Brigadier General Hejlik presented the flag to Mrs. Crawford and expressed his deepest condolences.

As the final salutes were cut, the group that had gathered began to disperse with everyone saying their final good-bye to a great man, Colonel Truman W. Crawford.

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story and photo by Lance Cpl. E. Ashley Tho-

In these uncertain times, information for families of military personnel can't come quick enough, especially when duty comes calling and families are left behind.

"For these reasons, here at Marine Barracks, there are departments to help with every need that may arise," said Lisa Stehle, Key Volunteer Coordinator. "Because even though the Marines of "8th and I" are non-deployable, there is still a lot going on here that takes Marines away from their families."

In a gathering on March 25, the families of Marine Barracks came together and discussed the services available to them.

"Hopefully this will give everyone a chance to meet one another," said Charlene O'Brien. "That way they will know who to call if they need advice or help with anything, plus it's always good to meet new people."

Due to the small scale of Marine Barracks, most of the family services are provided through neighboring military bases such as Henderson Hall, which provides a relocation assistance program to help new families in the area find housing, schools and assistance with spouse unemployment.

"The families are just as much a part of the Barracks as the personnel is," said Sergeant Major Brian B. Battaglia, Battalion Sergeant Major, Headquarters and Service Company. "We are here to help with anything we can help with."



Lieutenant Cmdr. Scott L. Johnston looks on as Lisa Stehle, outgoing Key Volunteer Coordinator, explains how the Key Volunteer Network operates.

The relocation department goes as far as to hire spouses for seasonal jobs with Marine Corps Community Services during the parade season as well as place them in an agency that can transfer their jobs from coast to coast when moving to a new base.

"I didn't know all these things were available," said Demetris K. Thornton. "We always used the commissary at Bolling Air Force Base but I think it's great that they're having this - it will give me a chance to meet other wives from the Barracks."

Many families have questions or need assistance whether or not a family member's deployed. For these reasons, Henderson Hall set up a confidential hotline that can help with anything from medical questions to finding a good school for special-needs children. Families seeking assistance can call 703-614-7200. Other services offered through Henderson Hall are classes and support groups for stress and anger management. They also provide support groups for separated or divorced couples, parents with exceptional children and families with special needs.

Another group that offers help is the Key Volunteer Network, com-

prised of some of the wives of Marine Barracks.

"We aren't here to tell you how to solve your problems," said Stehle. "But we will be right there on the other side of the phone to help you find the answers."

Psychological support is also available at the Barracks through Lt. Commander Scott L. Johnston. His office is a starting point for Marines needing help. He helps his patients narrow down their problems and refers them to other specialists who are better suited to the patients' needs.

Another service here at the Barracks is religious support provided by Chaplain Ted E. Williams. "We offer programs for religious services, baptisms and christenings," said Williams. "We also offer marriage counseling, stress management, retreats for married couples and we can even help you find a church in your area."

Marine Barracks has always been a unique place to be stationed due to its mission and ceremonial commitments. Now, through its programs and resources, the families will also see the commitment to excellence that is the essence of the Barracks.

The Rest of the story by Cpl. Travis W. Shiflett

Then parade season kicks off every year, it seems all the focus is on the Parade Staff, the Silent Drill Platoon and the Drum and Bugle Corps. While those Marines deserve every bit of recognition and congratulations they receive, there are many other "devil dogs" holding ceremonial billets who also deserve the same level of gratitude.

Before the parades begin, Marines stationed at the "Oldest Post" try to earn spots as Mascot Handler, Flag Breaker, Time Orderly or a place on the Color Lowering Detail.

As with any other ceremonial position, being chosen for a special billet requires time, dedication and a drive to achieve perfection. With the tryouts in early March, the Marines knew they had little time to practice the drill sequences that would later be graded with intense scrutiny.

"I was on the color lowering detail last year, so I knew how much preparation has to put in to perfect the sequence," said Lance Cpl. Dietrich D. Parrish, service record book clerk, Administration Section. "I taught the Marines who are on the team this year and I had to make sure they understood the importance of paying close attention to each and every single little detail."

During the tryouts, each Marine had a chance to show off his abilities under the watchful eye of Col. Daniel P. O'Brien, Barracks Commanding Officer; Gunnery Sgt. Joseph W. Rovnak, operations chief, S-3 Section; and Sgt. Adam M. Wohlever, MBW representative, S-3 Section. Each Marine who tried out was graded on how well they performed their particular drill sequence, their uniform, personal appearance, bearing and professionalism.

While any Marine could just be chosen at random, ordered to hold the billet and then taught the sequence, Rovnak expressed the importance of giving everyone an opportunity to earn a spot in the parades.

"These billets are very prestigious, it is an honor to be in an Evening Parade at Marine

Barracks so the billets should go to the Marines who desire to do it and not someone who is assigned," said Rovnak.

When the smoke finally cleared and everyone had been given a fair chance to earn a spot, billets were assigned and the selected Marines had just enough time to take a breath and begin practicing again for the upcoming Sunset and Evening Parades.



Colonel Daniel P. O'Brien looks on as Lance Cpl. Stephen A. Perry marches down Centerwalk with Chesty XII in tow. He was one of five Marines considered for the position of mascot handler.



The sun beats down on Lance Cpl. Joseph Valdovinos as he marches down Centerwalk during the tryouts.

Congratulations!

Color Lowering Detail

LCpl. Dietrich Parrish, Cpl. Ian James, Cpl. Robert Anderson III, LCpl. John Fronzoni Jr.

Time Orderly

LCpl. Elias Sepulveda Jr. (Primary), LCpl. Stephen Pery (Secondary)

Mascot Handler

Cpl. Matthew Morisette (Primary), Cpl. Justin Madigan (Secondary)

Flag Breaker

Cpl. Armando Trevino (Primary), Cpl. Justin Madigan and LCpl. Joseph Valdovinos (Secondary)



The Doctor Is

story and photos by Lance Cpl. E. Ashley Thomas -

ere at Marine Barracks, every job is just as important as the next, but they might not be as unique as the one held by Lieutenant Commander Scott L. Johnston.

Stationed at Marine Barracks, Johnston balances his schedule between Camp David, The White House Communications Agency and Marine Helicopter Squadron One (HMX-1) as the presidential support psychologist. He also has a clinic at the White House for the executive staff and is part of the Crisis Response Network. He is only the third person to have this duty since its inception in 1987.

"I'm not just the psychologist for the battalion, that's what makes my job so unique. I am responsible for all the Marines on presidential support duty," said Johnston. "My position was created when a Marine confessed to passing sensitive information to a soviet agent in the late 1980s. That's when it was decided that the Marines closest to the



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president needed to be screened psychologically to make sure it was safe to have them that close to the president."

ommissioned in the United States Navy in 1993, Johnston, a California native, was (Opposite) Johnston, a naval officer for almost a decade, has learned to draw a line between his personal and professional relationships with those he treats.

(Top) Always professional, Johnston remains impartial when screening Marines.

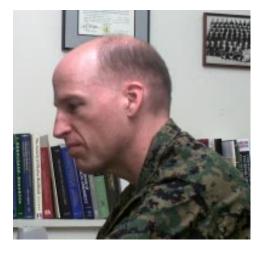
(Bottom) Johnston fills out paperwork while in session.

first stationed near his hometown at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego. He was also stationed at Harvard Medical School, Yokota Air Base, Japan, and deployed to the Persian Gulf in 1999 aboard the USS Constitution.

His duties at HMX-1 include screening the military police station and treating pilots responsible for the president's air travel.

"In short," said Johnston, "I make sure the Marines who are assigned or being considered for presidential support duty are best suited for the job. Most of the Marines denied clearance for presidential support duty think there is something wrong with them but that is not the case. My job is to match the personality to the job, not to sort the good Marines from the bad Marines."

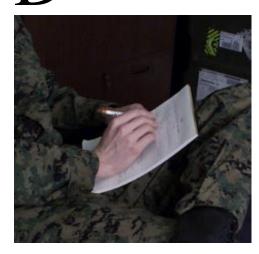
In addition to his basic duties, Johnston holds a number of other assignments, such as his position as the subspecialty leader for psychologists stationed aboard aircraft carriers, being on the Bureau of Medicine's Mental Health Advisory Board, acting as primary investigator for two Special Psychiatric



Rapid Intervention Team research programs and being a member of the Navy's Clinical Psychology Executive Committee.

"As the other psychologists have before me," said Johnston, "I travel with a team to Marine bases nationwide and conduct interviews and screenings so it is easier to match the Marines personality with the job."

uring his nine years with the Navy,



Johnston
has learned to
balance the
demands of
his duties with
other commitments he has
at Marine
Barracks.

"In addition to my presidential support responsibili-

ties," said Johnston. "I provide psychological consultations for the entire battalion at Marine Barracks."

He serves as a starting point for Marines dealing with stress or emotional problems. If necessary, referrals can be made to other specialists in the area.

"Most people have preconceptions about psychologists in general,"

> said Johnston. "But I'm glad to be here, I love working with Marines. To me, this place is great. Most psychologists are stuck in an office somewhere. For me, being stationed here is like going to the field."



NCO Tryouts 2003

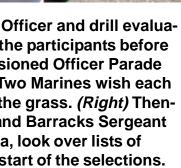
very year before parade season, noncommissioned officers of Marine Barracks are given the opportunity to try out for a position in the annual NCO parade. The NCO parade is one of the Tuesday "Sunset Parades" at the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, Va. Immediately before the

(Above) Barracks Commanding tor, Col. Daniel P. O'Brien, briefs kicking off the 2003 Noncommiss Staff Selections. (Above Right) other luck before stepping onto Gunnery Sgt. Cecil W. Goodloe a Major, Sgt. Maj. Bryan B. Battagli participating Marines before the

photos by Cpl. Na

tryouts, Marines volunteer to go through Ceremonial Drill School, or CDS. Duris strated what they learned throughout th It's an honor to be selected to march selected, they must hone their skills until





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the intensive, month-long NCO ng the tryouts, Marines demone four weeks of hard practice. in the NCO parade, but once it's their turn to "set the sun."





PUMPING IRON

story and photo by Lance Cpl. E. Ashley Thomas

he Marine Barracks Power Lifting Competition took off bright and early April 24th as "8th & I" Marines filtered into the gym and sized up the competition around them. But only time could tell who would "put their money where their mouth was."

This was no place for big talkers. The competition was harsh and as the afternoon rolled in half of the original 40 participants had been eliminated. The remaining contestants pushed themselves to the limit into the afternoon with no break in sight. They fought their way through the bench press portion of the event into the second part, the dead lift, which would determine the final winners.

As the day drew to a close, those who had made it through to the end were rewarded for their pulled muscles in an awards ceremony in which they were presented with certificates for their hard work. Congratulations go to the following overall winners:

Men's Bench Press Troy Knoblauch (340 lbs.)

Men's Dead Lift Troy Knoblauch (550 lbs.)

Women's Bench Press Tevis Mitchell (65 lbs.)

Women's Dead Lift Tevis Mitchell (200 lbs.)



Joshua Gary, Color Guard, "A" Company, demonstrates his strength as he stoically lifts 400 pounds in the deadlift portion of the competition.

Promotions A Company Sgt. Felix R. Ramos Cpl. William A. Treseder Cpl. Lloyd M. W: Lance Cpl I or

Lance Cpl. Chad F. Fulk Lance Cpl. Joshua M. Hunt Lance Cpl. Amon Y. Weaver III Lance Cpl. Kelly P. Baker Lance Cpl. Jamie R. Layhew Lance Cpl. Ryan P. Macartney Lance Cpl. John J. McGuigan Pfc. Joseph M. Terpoillo Pfc. Patrick J. Visconti

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Cpl. and Mrs. James Sherrod, MCI Company, celebrated the six-month birthday of their son, Jared. Born at 4:45 a.m., on Andrews Air Force Base, Dec. 26, 2002, Jared weighed 8 lbs., 12 oz. and measured 22.5 inches. "He's a lot bigger now," said Cpl. Sherrod.



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A Picture's Worth

The Pass In Review staff is proud to continue the "Caption Contest." This page highlights the "lighter" side of life at Marine Barracks "8th & I."

The contest gives our readers the opportunity to offer their feedback. The photo on the right desperately needs a caption.

Readers may submit their caption to the editor via e-mail — tillerna@mbw.usmc.mil or drop off printed captions in the "Caption Contest Box" located in the Public Affairs Office.

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Master Sgt. Gideon S. Rogers



Staff Sgt. Gregory C. Markley

Drumline Humor...

"If you'd put white plastic heads on those little drums, like I have on this big drum, you wouldn't have to shine your drums inside, either."

Congratulations go to retired Master Sgt. James Hedges, United States Marine Band, for his winning caption.

The Importance of Doing Your Best

by Lt. Ted L. Williams Barracks Chaplain

While I was in college I worked for the paint crew a couple of summers. This particular day I was assigned to one of the teams responsible for painting the outside of the buildings. My task was to ride a 50-foot lift and repaint the eaves and façade of a particular building.

As I was up there on my precarious perch in the sweltering Kentucky heat and humidity of August, sharing my perch with yellow jackets and various assortments of spiders, it occurred to me that I was painting where no one would ever see my work.

I could have just quickly brushed over the areas, or even skipped some spots so that I could move on to painting indoor in the air conditioning. No one was going to check, no one would know. In fact I could see where the student painter from five years ago had done exactly that.

I decided to stick around up there for a day or two and do my best, even

when it was not observable to everyone else.

Sometimes we may wonder if doing our best makes a difference, or if running the extra mile is worth it. Remember that it's about choosing integrity. Doing your best even when no one is inspecting your work. You can never beat the personal satisfaction and pride that comes from knowing you did your best in every aspect, even those behind the scenes, and remember, you never know who will see your work five or ten years down the road! "Well done, good and faithful servant; because you have been faithful in very little, you will have authority over much." (Luke 19:17). Here is a little poem that will hopefully give you some food for thought. As we prepare to engage in our 2003 Parade Season my prayer is that God will be with each of us as we do our best, even when no one is looking or noticing.

Semper Fidelis and God bless.



"Anyway"

-By Kent Keith

 $People\ are\ unreasonable,\ illogical\ and\ self-centered.$

Love them anyway.

If you do good, people will accuse of ulterior motives.

Do good anyway.

If you are successful, you win false friends and true enemies. Succeed anyway.

The good you do today will be forgotten tomorrow.

Do good anyway.

Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable.

Be honest and frank anyway.

People favor underdogs but follow only top dogs.

Fight for some underdogs anyway.

What you spend years building may be destroyed overnight. Build anyway.

People really need help but may attack you if you help them. Help them anyway.

Give the world your best you've got and you may get kicked in the teeth.

Give the world the best you've got anyway.



A replica of the 1801-era National Flag with 15 stars and 15 stripes flies above Marine Barracks, Washington, during the Evening Parade, May 30. This version of "Old Glory" withstood enemy bombardment at Fort McHenry, Md., Sept. 13-14, 1814, and inspired Francis Scott Key to write the "Star Spangled Banner." (Photo by Cpl. Nathan A. Tiller)

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